

The APOSTLE

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church ... A Christian Community of open minds, open hearts, and open arms.

Summer (July & August) 2020

An Odd Couple

I love pine trees. In some small part because they remind me mostly of being "up north" whether back in my home state of Michigan, or Vermont where I spent some summers, or even today in the Adirondacks where I now spend some summers.



But mostly, I suspect, it is because I love the way they look, smell, and sound when the wind blows through their branches. So on my daily walks it is grand fun to pass by a few pine trees in my own neighborhood.

One day I noticed that there was wonderful new growth. It was quite stunning.



Which got me to thinking.

I think, sometimes, with the presence of this virus, it is hard to think about growth and possibilities. Everything is so stymied and constrained. I feel restrained because I actually am!

But this pine tree reminded me that new growth is intrinsic to God's creation and, therefore, us too. So now I am actually thinking more optimistically. That no matter how pervasive and difficult this virus is, there will be new growth and new possibilities that will arise.

We have already learned about a new way to worship. We continue to care for one another. We are using Zoom to great avail for meetings and education and prayer. We are still finding ways to have important community conversations. And we are still reaching out into the community and continuing to care for our neighbors.

AND I am actually hopeful that the expansive activity regarding the role of racism in our nation is of such clarity and conviction that we might make some HUGE strides toward the Kingdom of God – now.

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So an odd couple – a virus and a pine tree. But together an important spiritual reminder. God is our Creator. Just look around. Summer is a grand time to be reminded that God is always creating and bringing new life forth. And God will continue to do so right now.

I am feeling my faith steadier, my trust more consistent, and my hope more outrageous – just as I want yours to do so as well.

So a blessed summer of a renewed spiritual grip for us all, as well as a time of some spiritual joy at what is possible. As we often say

God is good.

All the time God is good.

— Flo Ledyard, Rector



Worship

Flo and This Summer

Soon, very soon, I will be wending my way north to the Adirondacks to Lake Champlain where I will have some vacation time but also a portion of a sabbatical.

I cannot thank you all enough for the chance to "vacate" for a bit of time to rest and enjoy some fishing. But also I am really grateful to the Vestry who agreed that I could add on a bit more time by taking an upcoming sabbatical in smaller doses over successive summers. Especially this year, my reading list is long and I am looking forward to musing time about how we will proceed next fall and through this next program year.

So the timing is actually more perfect than we imagined when we set this up!

In the meantime, you will be blessed by continued strong clergy presence. The Reverends Ann Boyd, Carole Robinson Douglas, and Thelma Smullen will support you in worship with skill and strength. And Thelma will be around for pastoral matters as well. But equally important is a wonderful lay leadership team as well as the rest of the staff who will be present as our ministry continues.

So life and St B's will continue to thrive and through the summer and I will look forward to seeing you at the end of August.

— Flo Ledyard, Rector

Zooming Together for Worship at St. B's

Since we will not be considering on-site worship until this fall, please continue to join us on Zoom each Sunday morning at 10:00 am. Here's how:

This is the link

https://zoom.us/j/7641738777?pwd=d05KWmJPZ0ZZaHlmUlpRK2NiOFp6UT09.

or you can go to your own Zoom page and use this info:

The Meeting ID: 764 173 8777

The password: 703085

or you can call in using this number: (646)558-8656.

AND, you can come as early as 9:00 am to have some fun at our Coffee Hour.

Poem ≪



Everything You Do Is Sacred

Shared by Celeste Thurston

Now is the time to know that all you do is sacred

Now is the time to understand That all your ideas of right and wrong Were just a child's training wheels to be laid aside When you can finally live with veracity and love

... Now is the time for the world to know That every thought and action is sacred

This is the time for you to deeply compute the impossibility that there is anything but Grace

Now is the season to know That everything you do Is sacred

~~ Hafiz

Vestry Highlights

During this time of pandemic and quarantine, the Vestry decided has decided to divide the monthly Vestry meeting into two meetings. Shorter meetings on Zoom are preferable than a longer meeting. The Vestry currently meets on the third and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 pm.

At their meetings on June 16 and 23, 2020 meeting, the Vestry:

- Affirmed Karen Mercer's call to ordination.
- Created an outreach plan for non-participating Sunday Zoom parishioners.
- Learned of the beneficial changes to the Payroll Protection Plan.
- Received an update on the Children's Word and Virtual Sunday School option.
- Heard of necessary tree removal for upcoming roof repairs.
- Reviewed plans to not reopen physical Church until it is safe.

There are no Vestry meetings in July.

The next set of meetings, scheduled August 18 and 25, will take place via Zoom, both beginning at 6:30 pm. All Vestry meetings are open, and all members and friends are welcome to attend.

The Most Reverend Michael Curry is Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church

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Between the lines: Both sides of Curry s family are descended from slaves in the American South.

- His mother converted his father, who had been Baptist, to the Episcopal Church in the 1940s because the church allowed her to drink from the same chalice as whites.
- "He said any church where black folk and white folk drink from the same cup, knows something about the gospel of Jesus that I want to be a part of," Curry recalls.
- "If we can learn to drink from the same cup together, so to speak, if we can learn to gather around the table of brotherhood and sisterhood together, then we can hammer out our problems."



A Clarion Call

by The Reverend Florence Ledyard

Our Community Conversation on Tuesday, June 2, was thick, thoughtful, and a clarion call to action. And so, as I indicated in my letter to you all — we are responding to that call.

The Adult Formation Committee is already meeting to craft a curriculum or track for learning about racism — especially in our multicultural congregation. What do we need to learn? Hopefully, it will be a series of opportunities to learn about history, our own individual journeys, as well as what is critical to understand today so we can continue to rise in voice and action to be a thoughtful, Biblebased community to "love God and our neighbor as ourselves."

The Outreach Committee is gearing up for our participation in a Voter Registration Drive. What a critical effort to help our neighborhood rise to an even more consistent exercise for this fundamental citizenship right and responsibility.

The Gospel Justice Group already has a Zoom meeting scheduled to begin to explore how we can engage with our local police department to find a

path of support that might lead to stronger, more effective community relationships — for us and our neighborhood.

The Outreach Grants Program will morph into a Reparations Fund which we will begin to explore more specifically next fall.

All the while, we will continue to embrace all of these journeys as well as all the other things we already are doing to answer a clarion call.

I am excited about what we can do. It is something, even if not everything. But it also will be done with prayer, our usual thoughtfulness, and I know we will find our way forward as a faithful, diverse community that is evidently actually a blazing beacon on occasion.

SO if you are feeling a clarion call to join in any of these efforts, let us know. You would be very welcomed!

— Flo

Surprised by Joy

by Steve Smallman

Mary and I have been so blessed to be included in our Sankofa Circle!

What does a completely diverse group of people, different cultures, ages, and backgrounds have in common? What on earth are we doing hanging out together every Thursday evening? And why is it that all of us look forward to this time together? Just this: we need God in our lives. We need to be reminded that Jesus cares about everything that happened during our week. And we need that reminder from each other — not just in the words and stories we share, but in the looks of concern, laughter, and love that we see in each other's faces.

Each week at the end of the worship service we agree together to serve Christ in all people. That serving is strengthened each week when we SEE Christ in the faces of the brothers and sisters in our Sankofa Circle. Each week our group is led by Miss Inez Haynie and Michael Sarbanes, to listen to each other reflect on the week, recall what we learned from the sermon, and pray together.

Each week we are — each of us — surprised by joy and encouraged to remember our place in God's family. Maybe Mary and I should stop being *surprised* and become more *expectant*. Expecting, knowing that God will meet us, encourage us, and draw us in just a little bit closer because we have been with each other.

For any of you who considered joining a Sankofa Circle but didn't, we encourage you to jump in there next time! You might find yourself surprised by how loved you are, and how much light you can receive from your fellow travelers. You might find yourself surprised by Joy.

Thank you St. B's!

— Steve and Mary Smallman



The Daughters of the King Share a "Prayer for a Pandemic:

by Glorius M. Sullivan

The Margaret Rollo Chapter of The Order of the Daughters of the King meets via Zoom on the second Tuesday of the month. We continue to pray individually each day for the needs that are known to us — for families, friends, neighbors, those in authority, for comfort for those suffering from COVID-19, for those who have died and those that mourn, and we continue to give thanks for the gift of each new day, for doctors and nurses and essential workers, for the sunshine and the flowers, the birdsong — there is much to pray about and be thankful for!

Your special prayer requests are always welcome! You can call or email your prayer requests to me with the subject line "DOK Prayer Request." As always, your prayer requests will be held in confidence by our Daughters.

I want to share this "Prayer for a Pandemic" by Cameron Wiggins Bellm with you.

May we who are merely inconvenienced **Remember** those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors **Remember** those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home Remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close

Remember those children who will go hungry with no school meals.

May we who have to cancel our trips **Remember** those with **no** place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market

Remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for quarantine at home **Remember** those who have no home.

As fear grips our country, let us choose love.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other

let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbor.

Through Jesus Christ, whose arms of love embrace us all. Amen.

These last words of the prayer — "During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbor" — these are, for me, a way of being the help and hope for my neighbor. By prayer and by doing something to make today easier for someone else — this is what we can do as we all continue to be in these unusual times *together*.

We are never alone in any situation. One truth that will never change is that God is with us — all the time, for strength and courage and in all the ways we'll ever need. Always.

The Motto of the Order of the Daughters of the King

For His Sake

I am but one, but I am one.

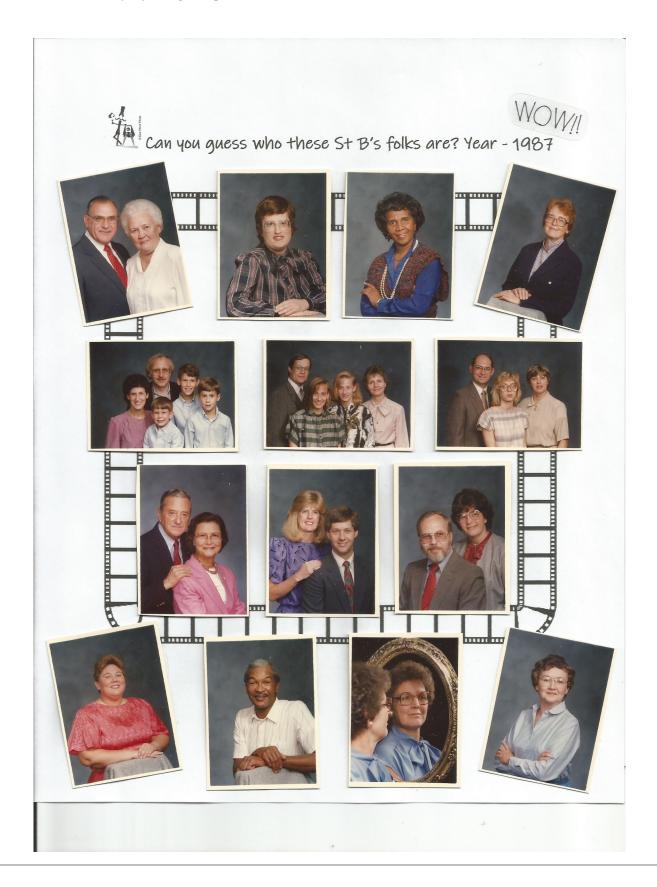
I cannot do everything, but I can do something. What I can do, I ought to do.

What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do. Lord, what will you have me do?

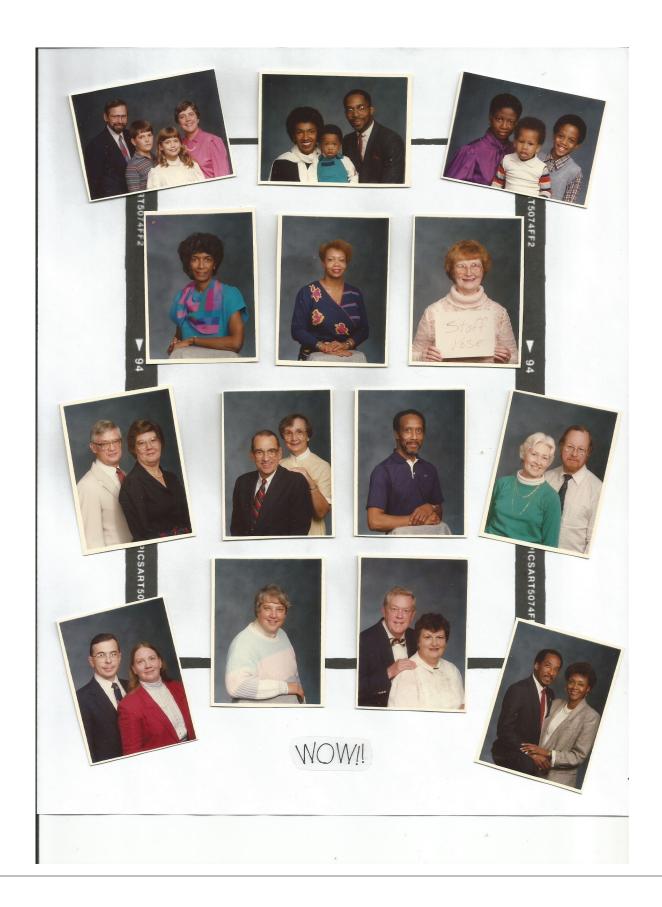
— Glorius is President of the Margaret Rollo Chapter of the Daughters of the King

Guessing Fun

Thanks to Kathie Clark for finding thes photos!



More Guessing Fun









Get Ready Summer Youth Events!

St. B's D-Group, for those in grades 6—12, will continue to meet during the summer! We'll meet on alternate Sundays for a game, dinner, and check in, so stay tuned for more information. Our meetings take place via Zoom from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. Please contact Youth Group Leaders Kathie or Marty Clark (peaceclark1@gmail.com) for the link to join. Gather for fun, fellowship and faith. Invite a friend!

Commitment to Ministry «



Mite Box Money Is Donated

In March, St. B's youth and children met to select the recipient for their mite box monies that had been collected during Epiphany. After several charities were considered, the group decided to send their offering of \$282.96 to the Brethren Disaster Ministries "Rebuild Program."

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this ministry!

Financial Position as of May 31, 2020

— Financial information is provided by John Schroeder, Treasurer

May 31, 2020	Current Month	Current Month	Year to Date	Year to Date
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Total Income	35,127.25	47,066.67	255,752.19	235,333.31
Total Expenses	(38,999.29)	(51,101.20)	(238,859.92)	(255,506.06)
Difference	(3,872.04)	(4,034.53)	16,892.27	(20,172.75)

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A Letter from Your Church Landscape

Good Morning, Church family,

During your absence, I was afraid you would forget me and I would wither, overgrow, and weeds would become my bane.

So far, I've had branches limbed up, bushes cut so you can see through windows, and my lawns are being kept mowed. The young trees you planted two years ago are being mulched. The thistles and ivy are being torn out and my benches have been power washed. My Edmonson bank is getting an overhaul, poison ivy is being identified and eradicated.

I kind of like this Weed & Worship time with you, so come and join in.

Read a book or meditate in the Bishop's Garden. Throw a ball or frisbee in the courtyard, walk your dog or take a stroll through the campus. Hope to see and hear you all soon.

Sincerely,

The St. B's Church Grounds

by Celeste Thurston and John White

Tasks for Weed Warriors on Sunday mornings: Top 5 for July

- 1) remove Ivy in the Bishop's garden
- 2) help John with the bank
- 3) thin the lady's mantle and black-eyed Susans at the front of the church and move to other areas
- 4) prune Acubas in the courtyard
- 5) weed and thin in the columbarium area.

There is plenty to do that allows for us to spread out and yet be together.

Celeste arrives at 8:00 am and sets up a water and sanitation station. Bring your own gloves, hat, tools, and refillable water bottle. We have bags and cans to weed into. At 9:15 we stop and clean-up. Some leave to go home to worship, but you are welcome to stay and worship in one of the 8 designated areas where you can worship from your phone or iPad. Printed bulletins are available so you can follow along.

I get questions about plantings for this time of year. Here are some of my favorites that are long-blooming and do well in our climate. Sun loving: Coreopsis, Cosmos, Balloon Flower, Nepeta, Rudbeckia, Sedums, and Coneflower.

For shady spots: Solomon Seal, Ferns, Ginger, Epimedium, Coral Bells, Foam Flower, Bleeding Heart.

For Rock gardens and hillsides, Sedums, creeping phlox, echeveria, herbs.

Shrubs/Vines include Oakleaf Hydrangea, Chokeberry, Serviceberry, Native honeysuckle Major Wheeler.

Herring Run or Putnum Hill Nurseries are good sources.

Mulch and plant close together. It cuts down on weeds and helps retain moisture. You can use thick cardboard as a natural weed cloth under your mulch.

"Tecnu Extreme" is recommended for those who have allergic reactions to poison ivy, oak, or sumac

Red Pig Garden Tools (https://www.redpigtools.com/) makes garden tools with history. Even if you don't want to buy a tool, it helps you research the many varieties that are out there with some background on their creation. So for the gardening or tool geek, this is a great site for reference.

— Celeste and John are Co-chairs of the Landscape Committee

Creation Caretakers a Green Team Related to Stewardship

by Leah B. Kulp

We are a new team who have been writing occasional items in the "What's Happening" about ways all of us can work to make the environment healthier. We have been otherwise "dormant" during the COVID coronavirus crisis following our formative Zoom meeting held March 28, 2020. We consist of the following team members:

- Leah B. Kulp, Chair
- Drew Brown
- Susan Goering
- Eunyoung Kim
- Aleah Mohammed
- Henri Oliveros
- Sharon Selleck
- Michael Soderstrand
- Cynthia Wagner

We would like to build upon accomplishments St. B's parishioners have made in the past concerning responsible environmental practices, which have included the following (among many other unsung efforts):

- Replacing flagstones with permeable pavers;
- Recycling on the campus and composting in the kitchen;
- Post-event recycling at the Flea Market;
- Planting trees around the perimeter of the parking lot.

As we continue to develop our mission statement, we have agreed on the following initial goals:

- Provide parish awareness of ways we, both as a parish and as individuals, can work to improve the environment.
- Partner with organized parish groups and St.
 B's neighbors on projects (such as litter
 cleanups and storm water drainage), to improve
 the environment of the Gwynns Falls
 watershed.
- Guide the parish to become a Partner
 Congregation in the IPC, pledging "As a
 community of faith, we are called to honor our
 sacred bond with our Creator, serve as good
 stewards of the land and waters of the
 Chesapeake, and sustain the life and health of
 all creatures."

We cannot pursue our goals without engaging the whole parish and its many constituents to support and contribute to our efforts. Since our only tool right now is to communicate through virtual meetings, look for Zoom invitations from us in the near future!

And God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good.

—Gen 1: 31

— Leah is Chair of the Creation Caretakers

Outreach Committee News

by David Mountain and Kim Flash

Many thanks to everyone who donated food or time as a volunteer for the recent food drives to support 40 West! We will continue to host periodic food drives throughout these challenging economic times. Your donations really make a difference in keeping the pantry stocked and our neighbors fed. Watch for information about future drives in the "What's Happening" and by all-parish email.

Our request for thank you letters for essential employees continues. Consider sending a note to the employees of your local grocery store, pharmacy, hospital, fire station, or other place where people are putting themselves at risk to continue to work and help others.

> — Dave (davidjmountain@ieee.org) and Kim (keflash7@gmail.com) are Co-chairs of the Outreach Committee

After a Season of NOPE, St. B's Flea Market Is a GO!

by Mary Helen Sprecher

Here's some good news for a change: after a lot of NOPE, St. B's beloved Flea Market, our parish's greatest gift to outreach, is a go! Members of your Flea Market Committee has been meeting with outreach representatives and with Rev. Flo (on Zoom!) to discuss options we can employ to maximize safety.

As you might expect, we will be instituting multiple changes. Here is a quick review:

- Whereas in the past, all sorting took place in the Parish House on Wednesday nights, we will be using different areas of the campus, such as the Youth House, in order to maximize the space between people and prevent any volunteers from working in close quarters. We will also have some outside spaces available, such as the garage, for those who feel more comfortable there.
- Donations that come in will not be sorted immediately; instead, donations that arrive on Wednesday will be set aside and sorted on Saturday and Sunday, or on the following Wednesday, in order to eliminate the potential of too many people handling items right away. Donations that can be cleaned will, of course, be cleaned once we can safely handle them.
- If we are still operating under Phase Two of the Maryland Roadmap to Recovery, which regulates how many people can congregate in an area, the Flea Market itself may take place on multiple Saturdays in September so that we are able to accommodate social distancing measures.
- Everyone shopping at the Flea Market, without exception, will be required to wear PPE. Hand sanitizer will be provided in all departments.

After a Season of NOPE, St. B's Flea Market Is a GO! (continued)

Those who would like to handle merchandise will do so with gloves.

- Departments, like sorting, will be spaced apart, and numbers of shoppers in each space will be limited.
- St. B's will not be preparing and selling food this year, although it is possible that we will offer pre-packaged foods such as chips, granola bars and sodas.

These are some of the ideas your Flea Market Committee has been examining. Much will depend upon which phase Maryland has implemented at the time of the Flea Market. We intend to proceed with an abundance of caution.

That being said, we are desperately in need of volunteers this summer. Many of our longtime volunteers, because of age or pre-existing health conditions, are unable to work with us this year. We don't require full-time commitments and we can find a way to work with your schedule. If you would like to give time in sorting donations (which will have been cleaned and/or not handled for several days), we would love to have you. You would be welcomed with...perhaps not open arms (we are very cautious!) but much joy and maybe some elbow bumps. Please consider donating some time — any time you can. We would be very grateful for your assistance and are going to be taking precautions all summer long to keep everyone as safe and healthy as possible.

Our departments are as follows:

- Housewares
- Tovs
- Electronics
- Clothing
- Collectibles
- Crafts/Fabric/Yarn, etc.
- Seasonal

- Sporting Goods (but not exercise equipment)
- Clothing/Accessories
- Books (no textbooks or encyclopedias)
- Furniture

There are only a few things we can't accept: older tube-style televisions or outdated electronic equipment (such as very old computer systems), car seats for babies, and anything broken.

And we are in need of donations! All that quarancleaning, organizing and purging you have done in isolation is about to pay off! Our first night to accept donations will be Wednesday, July 8, 7:00-9:00 pm. If you drive up, our volunteers will unload your car for you and send you on your way. If you need a receipt for your taxes, we can supply that too.

Nobody is required to attend in any way, however! We welcome those who are interested — but if not this year, we will see you next year (or in any capacity this year that you are comfortable, whether that is donating or shopping or volunteering on the day(s) of — or even just sending up prayers for great weather and nice shoppers!

The Flea Market is St. B's greatest gift to its outreach, providing much-needed funds to many organizations right here in our community. Please help us reach our goals again this year — donate, sort or help with set-up and/or break-down afterwards. You are needed. You are appreciated. Most of all, you will be connected in a very real and wonderful way to our church and to our community.

Questions? Reach out to Flea Market Co-Chairs Celeste (<u>celeste_thurston@comcast.com</u>) or Mary Helen (<u>mhsprecher@gmail.com</u>).

News from 40 West

by Glorius Sullivan

We have been very busy at 40 West!

After the March 16 TEFAP food distribution, we closed our office in response to the COVID-19 pandemic to keep our staff, volunteers, and clients safe and to comply with state regulations about crowds gathering. But that didn't mean WE were closed!

We made plans to continue our <u>mission</u> — to <u>provide</u>, with compassion, the basic necessities of life to neighbors in need. We suspended our program of providing limited financial assistance for BGE turnoff and eviction clients since government entities temporarily prohibited these two detrimental events from happening during these difficult times, and we concentrated our efforts on the basic necessity of food.

In April, we served 324 families, and in May it was 486 families that received food. In June, we served 124 pantry clients on June 4, 80 TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program) clients on June 11, 150 folks (seniors, TEFAP and Pantry) on June 18 and 107 folks at the Pantry on the Go event on June 23. That's 381 families – not individuals - that received at least 3 bags or boxes of food – both shelf-stable food and meats – to help them through this trying time. And for July and August, we plan for weekly food distributions – mostly on Thursday mornings, with Pantry on the Go events the last



Tuesday of each month. Our schedule is printed in the bulletin, and stated in a recorded message on our office telephone, and our website will be updated as needed.



We are planning for weekly food distributions, reaching out into the neighborhood to publicize our dates and encouraging folks to come for food. We expended the funds we received from a state entity to purchase food, and we also applied for and were awarded a grant to specifically provide food to seniors, a vulnerable part of our population in the best of times. We offer a friendly welcome, a smile in our voice (and behind our masks!) and a listening ear to those we meet. This is still a very scary time, and a completely new experience for so many folks who were previously able to handle their own needs and probably did not even envision a time like this when we all need to depend on each other. "We are all in this together" has taken on new meaning.

We are grateful for the many folks who have helped us help others — those who made masks for us and our clients (some of our staff, St. B's parishioners, and the African American Quilters), the St. B's Outreach Committee sponsored a Food Drive in May that provided 1787 pounds of food and their Food Drive that will be going on June 22-26, Dave Murray for all his fixings in our offices, John DeVale for setting up our new computer and data system, Maggie for numerous Zoom meetings and relayed messages, our faithful staff and stalwart volunteers (especially

News from 40 West (continued)

Director Peggy McMillian, Food Manager Susan Lundin and Barbara Knauf of Hunting Ridge, and Gretchen Parry of St. William of York and her food delivery team), our supportive Board of Directors, the Maryland Food Bank for providing free and very reasonably-priced food to purchase, and especially for the many volunteers who have come from St. Bartholomew's, the Maryland Food Bank, insurance companies, Mt. St. Joe students, and members in the neighborhood who have helped us each week to organize the cars parking in the lot, set up and take down tents and tables, pack the food and put it in the cars. These photos of a food distribution, truck unloading and a group of our volunteers was taken June 23 (and there were about 10 other "camera shy" and busy volunteers nearby!). We are grateful for the many food and monetary donations given by individual donors to enable us to continue to have and purchase food – for your giving through us to our clients. It's all of us together serving each other.



Know that 40 West will be here, be it outside or inside the building, serving those in need. You all are a huge part of this ministry, and we thank you.

— Glorius is Chair of the 40 West Assistance and Referral Center Board of Directors



Hope Harbor Seeks Workshop Speakers



by Anna M. Williams

During the Covid-19 pandemic, Hope Harbor has been hosting virtual workshops for interested participants. We have had a wide range of topics, from health to starting a business to finding fun things for children to do. We will continue these workshops for the next few months (maybe

until the end of the year) and we are looking for volunteers to speak on a variety of topics.

Our participants have domains that are our focus. Some of them are employment, finances, health, housing, and employment. We would like speakers to cover topics in these domains. For example, the importance of having a will/trust and what is the difference between the two could be a topic. Or saving for retirement or home ownership — what everyone needs to know — could also be workshops. We want them to be informative but fun. And definitely interactive. Sessions are usually two hours on a Saturday and are open to program participants and the larger community.

If you have a topic you would like to share, please send Anna a small description to hopeharbor1@yahoo.com. Or if you have questions, she can be reached at 443-769-2346. Thank you for being a part of our village. We look forward to hearing from you.

— Anna is Director of Resources and Program for Hope Harbor



Your prayers are requested for members and friends of St. B's ...

Lucy Marshall; Doris Haughey; Vince Marsiglia; Donna Cartwright; Janet Churchill; David Schneider; Shirley Nathan Pulliam; Wyvetta Dupree; Tony Creek; Mike Knudsen; Lib Shipley; Irene Hardy; Lillian Thomas; Theresa Sexton; Celia Vismale; Patrick Mellin; Ray Zeigler; Larry Brown; Sandra DeSilva; Tiger Watts; Peter Griffin; Jon Davis; Young Sam; Michelle Haynie Madison; Kate Henshall; Mary Warfield; Susan Lundin; Yogesh Patel; Amanda Harris and Marilyn and Ben Smith; Earl Ruley; Ronnie Clarke; Sean Brady; Mark Anderson; 40 West Assistance and Referral Center Clients; Hope Harbor partner families; Heidi; Theresa Thomas; Meg and Shaun; Kathy and Andy;

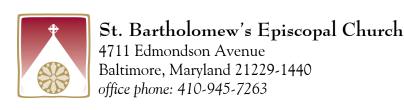
Don and Angel; John and Jean; Allen; James Cooper; Kathie Goblirsch; Sherry McCollum; Steven Coffman; Pushpa Sokhey; Lance Perry; Anna Miller; Sue Goodall; Jimmy, Terry, and Ashley Beauford; Hyun Brackens, Elizabeth Jefferson; William Edmonds; Lynn Calhoun; Amanda Ash Freeland; Cheryl Murdock; Kyle Yoder; Warren Pulliam; Bernie Feely; Camille Madison Robinson; Brianna; Aminata Kabia; Alma Cooper and Dianné Keeling; Clay Shiflet; Jackie and Romaine Phillips; Ashby Thompson; Riley Goddard and her family; Clarice Patterson; Brian and Marcia Legister; Junius Goode; Dick Ridenour; Barbara Blackwell; Arlyce Burton; Kimberley McLean; Fran Hager; Mary Demory; Mary McMearn; Andrea Barnard; Jeff Moredock; Barbara Hunter; Landon Schultheis; those affected by the coronavirus; those in our midst who are un— or under-employed & the homeless; AND any others we name at this time.



The deadline for the September issue of *The Apostle* is <u>Saturday</u>, <u>August 15.</u>

Please e-mail articles to mcaldwell@stbs-md.org.

To submit typewritten or handwritten material, place it in Maggie Caldwell's mailbox outside of the Church Office. All articles must include a contact name and email or phone number. Publication of *The Apostle* is on the last Sunday of the month.



Sunday Worship & Formation

Holy Eucharist at 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Sunday Christian Formation

Faith Forum for Adults and Older Youth: 9:15—10:15 am in the Parish House (During Faith Forum, the Cribbery will be open for children up through grade 5.)

Children's Word for Children Age 3 (by 09/01) — Grade 1: during the 10:30 am service; meet in the Chapel.

Children's Word for Children Grades 2—5: during the 10:30 am service; meet in the Parish House.

Youth Group for Grades 6—12: Meet in the Youth House on Sundays from 5:00—6:30 pm.

During Sunday Worship, **childcare** is available for children up to age 5 in the Parish House from 10:00 am-12:15 pm.

Weekday Worship & Formation

Noonday Prayer is said every weekday and Saturdays at 12 noon in the Chapel. An interfaith **Christian meditation** group meets Mondays in the Chapel at 7:30 pm.

For more information about our worship or programs, please contact us at 410-945-7263 or office@stbs-md.org or visit www.stbs-md.org.